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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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STAMFORD, the Philpet House, is a brick, two and one-half storey, five bay, gable-roofed house, its principal facade to the east, with a brick, two storey, three bay, gable roofed north wing, and a brick, one and one-half storey, three bay, shed-roofed west wing. The west wing is bonded into the main house, apparently of contemporaneous construction, while the north wing is not; the latter has no south wall, the main house serving that function. The detailing of all three sections appears to date from the same period—late eighteenth century or very early mineteenth.

The east front of the main house is laid in Flemish bond with closers at the corners, above a moulded brick water table; all other walls, and the wings, are of common bond, each sixth course being headers. Jack arches, nearly two bricks in height, support masonry above the east windows, although applied weeden pediments, probably dating from the mid-mineteenth century, and associated flashing nearly hides them. A window at mid-storey height in the center bay of the west facade marks the stair landing. All windows except these on the west facade at the landing and in the second storey have been made a few inches narrower. 6/6 sash are in all altered windows, while 12/8 sash remain in the unaltered ones, which also retain their wide frames with applied evelo backband. Louvred blinds hang at all windows.

A flush chimney of brick rises from each end of the slated roof, flanked by two small attic windows. Three slated dermers light the attic storey through the easterly slope of the roof. The east cornice includes dentils and scrolled modillions, while dentils and modillions are emitted in the west cornice. All mouldings return against the masonry at the corners, and cornice work appears original.

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This house, formerly called Stamford in honor of its owners' family home in England, is the clubhouse of the Green Spring Valley Hounds and is located on the southwest side of Mantua Mill Road. It is the most sophisticated extant dwelling of its era in this region and was probably considered a rather pretentious mansion when erected around the turn of the 19th century. Alterations have been superficial and most of the original elements remain as do the original outbuildings - more than at any other property in the district.

Brian Philpot, Sr., a merchant and one of the first settlers of Baltimore Town, owned a large amount of real estate on the waterfront there.

(A street bearing his name is still in existence.) His son, Brian, Jr., a man of apparent wealth, was one of the four partners who in 1757 purchased and divided Nichelson's Manor, now part of the Worthington Valley. Although Philpot received three tracts of land in the division, he seems to have settled on the Stamford site and indeed his heirs remained there until 1925 when the property was sold to the present owners.

The date of the house is a matter of conjecture. Scharf states that

Brian Philpot, Jr. settled in the Valley soon after the end of the American

Revolution. (1) Tax records of 1783 indicate that he owned 1005 acres there

and that there was some improvement on the land as well as livestock and

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A one bay, one storey hipped-roof portice shelters the principal entrance centered on the east facade. The entrance, with its paneled jambs, sidelights, transom and door, together with the portice, date from the mid-mineteenth century. A secondary entrance through the west facade, beneath the landing, with neither sidelights nor transom, retains an original six-panel door.

The shed-reefed west wing, extending from the north end of the main house, its taller wall to the north, flush with the north wall of the main house, has an entrance through its south wall, close to the main house, and another through the westerly bay of its north wall, now enclosed in the later one-storey frame addition. Windows are 6/6, and a chimney rises flush with the northwest corner. A straight mortar joint between the tall north wall of the wing and the north end wall of the main house, extending a few feet down from the peak of the wing's roof, suggests that the wing's roof was raised. A similar joint between the wing's west wall and its chimney suggests the same. Otherwise, brickwork of all these parts is bended and continuous, as though built at one time.

Additional entrances with original six-panel doors hung on strap hinges are through the center bays of both the east and west fronts of the north wing, with 9/6 windows in flanking bays; 6/6 windows are above the first storey windows. Original wide frames with evelo backband remain, and the first storey windows have early blinds with widely-spaced louvres. A brick chimney rises flush with the north gable. A jack arch supports masonry above the door; a rewlock course is above the windows.

Internally, a center hall, with an open staircase extending to the third storey, is flanked by a single room on each side. The original kitchen occupies the westerly two bays of the west wing, with a passage and pantry in the easterly bay next to the main house, each accessible from the northerly room of the latter; a single large room is in the north wing. Enclosed winding stairs south of the

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kitchen chimney, and west of the north wing chimney, provide access to the upper storeys of these sections.

The principal staircase is original and unaltered, except for the removal of the half-rail and half-newels from the first floor to the second. The moulded handrail is supported by slim turned newels and balusters, the upper newels being finished with drop finials; scrolls decerate step ends. The staircase rises to the second floor in three short flights with two square intermediate landings, and to the third floor in two flights with one intermediate landing.

Both sides of the doors to the flanking rooms retain original architraves with crossettes, supporting an overdoor with pilasters of fluting at each end of the frieze, and a dentiled cornice. The doors themselves are mid-nineteenth century replacements, with six panels, the smallest ones being near the lockrail.

Chair rail throughout the first storey has been removed, but its evidence remains as a line of patched plaster.

Corner block window trim of the south room dates from the mid-mineteenth century alterations of these windows; reveals extend to the floor. The original mantel remains, with fluted pilasters supporting a frieze similar to these above doors and a dentiled cornice. A dentiled cornice surrounds the entire room.

In the north room, everdoors similar to others in the house are above doors to the center hall, to the west wing passage, to the pantry also in the west wing, and to the north wing, east of the chimney breast. A chima supboard fills the space west of the chimney breast, with a taller pair of fully-raised paneled doors above a shorter pair, all with a crossetted architrave surround. The mantel is similar to the one in the south room. Doorways through brick walls have paneled jambs.

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A passage out of the north room, near its southwest corner, leads along the south side of the west wing to the original kitchen. Its large fireplace, sized and fitted for cooking, occupies the northwest corner of the room. Meavy board, or ledger, doors hung on long strap hinges remain at exterior openings of the west wing, and similar doors were between the kitchen, passage and pantry.

Board doors enclose the staircase and the closet beneath, hung on wrought ML hinges.

The mantel in the north wing has been removed, but a built-in cupbeard remains east of the chimney breast, enclosed with a taller pair of fully-raised paneled doors above a shorter pair. An enclosed winding staircase rises west of the chimney breast, with fully-raised paneled doors to it and to a closet beneath. Chair rail remains in place.

The second storey of the main house is similar to the first, with simpler detailing. Overdoors are emitted; chair rail remains throughout most of the second storey, except the east wall, where it was removed when these windows were altered. Original architraves with crossettes remain at west windows while the original material is reinstalled, without crossettes, at east windows. Mantels are very similar to these below.

The second storey of the west wing is plainly finished, undoubtedly servants' reems, originally.

The third sterey of the main house is simply finished, probably ca. 1900 or slightly later.

The unfinished cellar extends beneath the main house only.

Six early outbuildings remain; perhaps the rarest of them is the privy, of brick, 7 by 8 feet, with a gabled roof. Of common bond, with closers at the

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corners, its door is through the south facade, near the east corner; masonry above is supported by a jack arch. A small window pierces each end wall, with a jack arch above. Wood elements of these openings are missing. Near the ground through the north wall is the long, low cleanout opening. Brickwork above it is falling out. Elements of a moulded cornice remain at the north eave, including a bed moulding and the ghost of a crown moulding. The entire south front cornice is missing where joist ends and roof rafters are rotted away. There was a wood floor, now entirely missing.

Immediately north of the north wing is a stone smokehouse, one storey in height, with a gable roof, measuring approximately 16 by 18 feet. Its entrance is through a door in its south gable end, and four slit ventilation heles pierce each gable, near the peak.

Immediately north of the smekehouse is a brick tenant house, two storeys in height with a gable roof. It appears to have been one storey in height originally; window openings appear to have been cut through the original walls after their construction and four closed slits in its north gable resemble those in the nearby stone smekehouse, suggesting that the tenant house was originally an outbuilding, perhaps another smekehouse. Every fifth course in the original walls is a header course. Bricks of the upper storey, and those of the south end, which appear contemporary with the upper storey, are badly deteriorated, while the original bricks are in better condition. The narrowed decreasy is contered on the east front and 6/6 windows are in flanking bays. Shutters and a small entrance portice are missing. Extending west is a shed-reofed frame rear wing covered with German siding, its form recalling that of the main house. The approximate dimensions of the original portion are $16\frac{1}{2}$ by 27 feet.

Standing south of the main house is a pyramidal reefed, one storey stone

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dairy house. It measures appreximately 16 feet square. Its entrance is through its north wall. A few log joists remain of a left or second floor, a few feet below the top of the walls. Window openings in both storeys of its west and south walls have been closed with stone walling, but a louvred window remains in the lower portion of the east wall.

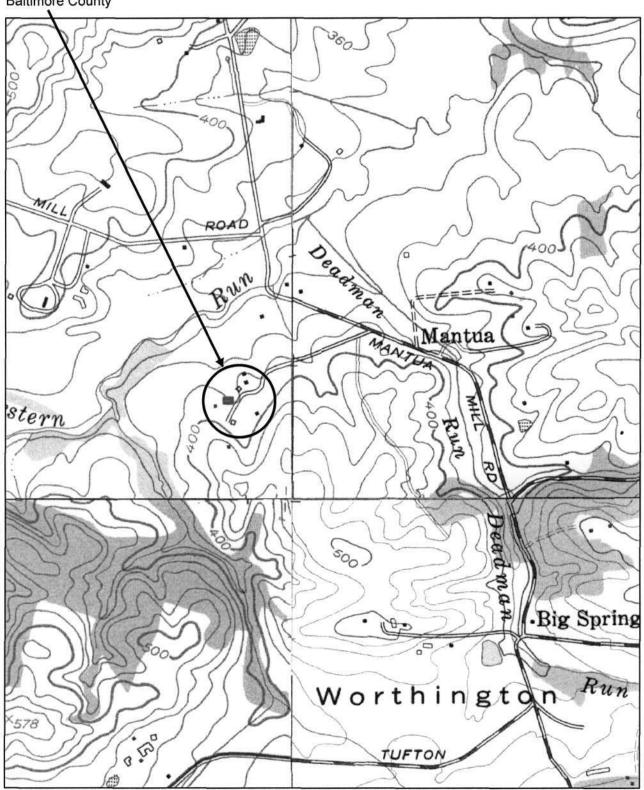
South of the dairy house is another one storey stone structure, measuring approximately 14 by $15\frac{1}{2}$ feet, with a hipped roof. New a garage, with its east wall removed for that purpose, it was undoubtedly something else originally, perhaps related to the nearby dairy. Like the dairy, its interior was whitewashed. A small window is through both the north and south walls, and a curious row of rectangular recesses is in interior stonework high in the south wall.

Some distance southwest of the house is the tackhouse, which was originally a small barm or carriage house. Of stone, one and one-half storeys in height, measuring approximately 20 by 40 feet, it had a large door centered in the east (front) wall, now enclosed with framed walling. A small window and a door of conventional size flank the (former) larger door. Three small windows pierce the west wall, and three dormers light the attic storey. Interior wood elements appear to date from the twentieth century, simple and utilitarian in design.

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slaves. However, the 1798 Federal Direct tax describes a brick dwelling whose dimensions do not resemble those of the present structure.

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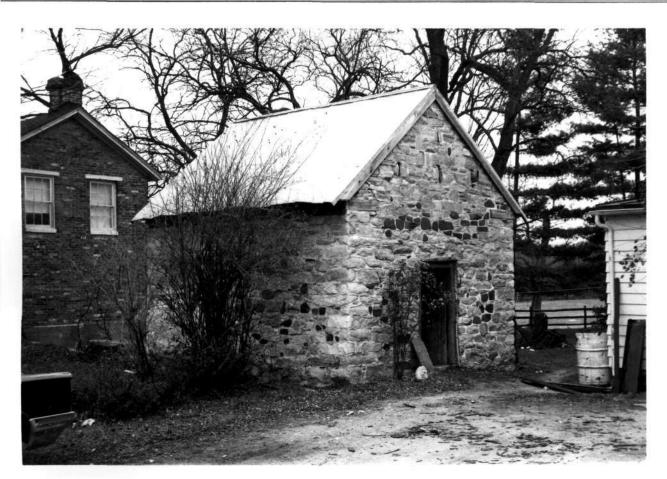
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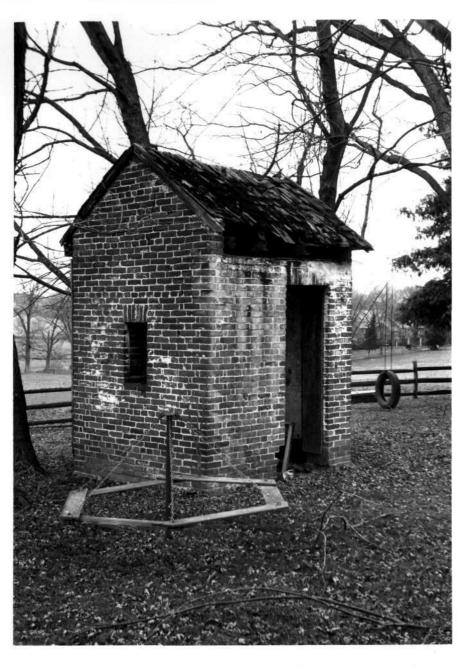
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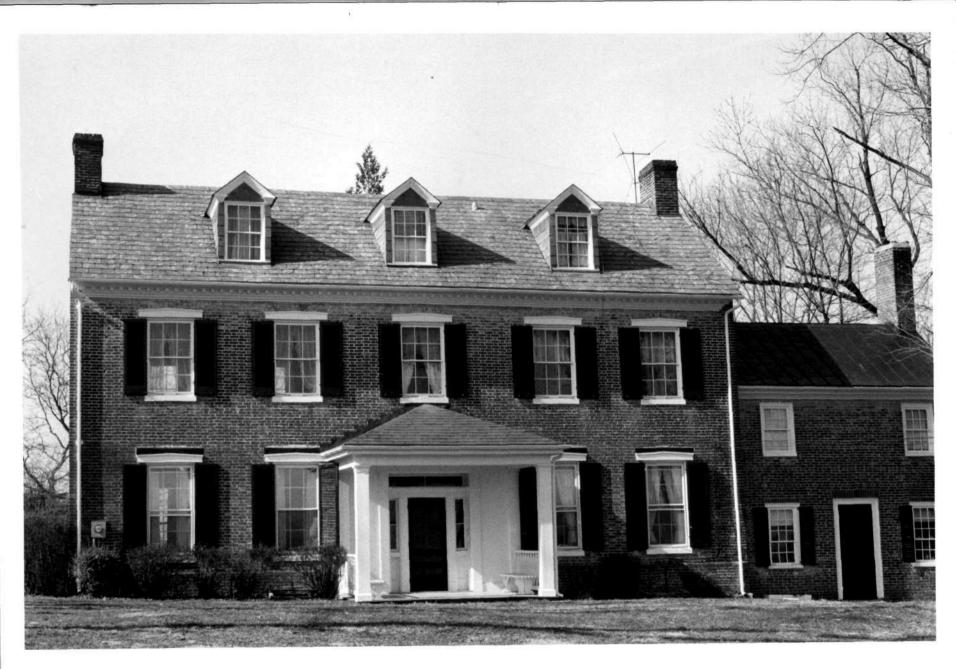
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